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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHAIRMAN, INTELLIGENCE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, DCI

SUBJECT: Draft Minutes of the 18 May 1987 IR&DC Meeting (U)

Reference: IR&DC 87-0023 memorandum, 23 May 1987.

- 1. (C) At the 18 May 1987 IR&DC meeting, comments were requested on how the Council might be more useful to the Intelligence Community.
- 2. (C) The purpose of the IR&DC is to advise the DCI on R&D strategies and technologies to best achieve national intelligence objectives. Typically this is done by exploring new directions and techniques in the hard and soft sciences that have intelligence applications and subsequently identifying suitable concepts for program support. In the past, the IR&DC has done this very well, as evidenced by the reports of studies sponsored by the Council.
- 3. (C) To further enhance the usefulness of the Council, it is suggested that increased efforts be made to use the IR&DC as a forum for representatives from the Intelligence Community to critically review the results of Council-sponsored studies and propose actions to ensure that serious consideration is given to the studies' recommendations.
- 4. (C) In addition to the aforementioned efforts to exploit new strategies and technologies, the Council should advise the DCI on the effectiveness of existing programs. To do this, it is suggested that indepth annual reviews of ongoing intelligence initiatives be conducted by the Council's membership. The basis for the reviews would be extensive briefings provided by the intelligence offices that sponsor the R&D. Topics for review by the Council would be chosen by the R&D sponsoring office.
- 5. (C) Extensive annual reviews of R&D programs also serve to illuminate areas in which better R&D coordination is desirable. Better coordination would improve both the efficiency with which resources are applied as well as the Intelligence Community's ability to address more expeditiously many of its concerns. The role of the IR&DC in coordinating intelligence

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R&D should be advisory only. This position is in agreement with your statement to the DCI that the IR\&DC could be a vehicle used to improve coordination of intelligence R&D.

6. (C) Finally, the above-mentioned annual reviews could serve as the impetus for formulating new intelligence R&D initiatives thereby further improving the usefulness of the IR&DC.

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